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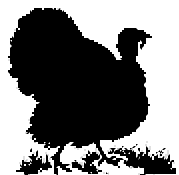
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DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was fully steady instances firm. Trading was reported on packer label hens and toms for both prompt and deferred arrivals. Demand was moderate with most interest noted for the Thanksgiving Holiday. Offerings were adequate to close with the lighter weights in the best position. Bulk parts and meats trading was light. Demand was mixed with most buyers keeping inventories close. Hen and tom wings held in the tightest position.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on thigh meat and small volumes of tom drums, tails and mechanically separated turkey. Demand was light as some buyers were resisting current price levels. Supplies were mixed from adequate to close.

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CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	74-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	74-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	74-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	73-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	73-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	73-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	74-76	74	74.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	74-76	76	76.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	74-76	-	-	-	75.47 79.00	190 30	OCT NOV	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	73-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	73-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	73-75	-	-	-	75.00	215	OCT	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 21 SEPTEMBER 2004.

The market on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins was steady to fully steady, balance of white meat steady to firm. Demand fair to instances good, best on trims. Offerings ranged from tight at best on trims to adequate on fresh tom breast meat. The market on tails was mixed with some noting strength on tom sizes. However, mixed hen and tom tails were more readily available than tom tails and not held in as firm of hands. Trading light on all items. Tails 36, Grade A non-basted rib breasts: 8-10 lb. 100, 10-12 lb. 120, 12-14 lb. 130, 14-16 lb. 135, 16-18 lb. 140, plant grade non-basted 12-16 lb. breasts 125 cents delivered domestic.

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	84.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	44.00-46.00		45.07	15
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	42.00	9
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	51.00-57.00		53.70	100
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	53.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	45.83	120
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	93.00		93.00	40
NECKS, TOM	27.00-29.00		28.82	22
NECKS, HEN		R	22.47	38
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	165.00-167.00		165.05	41
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		F	208.21	770
THIGH MEAT		F	82.00	6
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	90.00		90.00	30
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	129.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	100.00	20
TENDERLOINS	157.00		157.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	161.33	240
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	187.94	320
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	65.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	18.75	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		F	19.00	131

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	F	43.67	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS			
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM			
TAILS			
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	F	18.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	F	81.56	320

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	82-84
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	82
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	82

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	115-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	115-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	115-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	115-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	120-130

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The market on tom drums was mostly steady, tom 2-joint wings steady to fully steady and tom full-cut wings fully steady to firm. Demand was fair to good on tom full-cut wings, balance of tom bulk parts light to fair. Offerings of tom drums were tight to adequate with some noting supplies not as tight as previous weeks, tom 2-joint wings and necks light, tom full-cut wings short of buyers' needs. The market on hen bulk parts was steady to firm with drums and wings the least available. Demand moderate to instances good. Offerings of hen bulk parts ranged from spotty to short of buyers' needs with necks the most available. Trading was moderate on 4-8 lb. breasts for domestic shipments and fair on frozen thigh meat for export, balance light. For domestic (fresh): non basted 12-14 lb. WOGs 80, wing meat with skin 106-113, scapula 114-123 and frozen tails 34 cents delivered. Fresh tom drums traded at 45 cents delivered export.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	97.00-98.00		97.80	400
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	146.00		146.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	90.00		90.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	46.00		46.00	10
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	44.00		44.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	39.00-42.00		40.80	100
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	53.70	100
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	53.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	45.83	120
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	90.00		90.00	20
NECKS, TOM	26.00-27.00		26.75	80
NECKS, HEN		R	22.47	38
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	164.50-166.00		165.25	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	209.00		209.00	80
THIGH MEAT		F	82.00	6
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		T	90.00	30
BREAST TRIM MEAT	127.00-128.00		127.67	120
SCAPULA MEAT		F	100.00	20
TENDERLOINS	157.00		157.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	161.00		161.00	160
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	187.94	320
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	65.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	18.75	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	19.00		19.00	80

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	44.00		44.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	34.00		34.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	17.00		17.00	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	82.50-85.00		82.92	236

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 09/22/04**POULTRY HEALTH BOARD**

CUMULATIVE

SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITE	BREEDS
2003-2004	3,537	77,939	77,939
2002-2003	4,800	60,204	60,204

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